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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the term to respond to the Office Communication of  
September 24, 2002 be extended three months, from October 24, 2002 to January 24, 2003.

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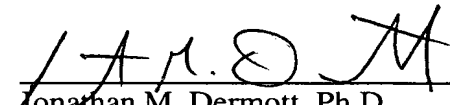
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A check to cover the extension fee in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 19-5425. A duplicate of this letter is attached.

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